

City of Canal Winchester

COMMUNITY CONNECTION NEWSLETTER

ON OUR CALENDAR

Nov. 19 Chamber Auction

Nov. 24-25 Offices Closed

Dec. 9 Leaf Pickup Ends

Dec. 2-3 Christmas in the Village

Dec. 10 Breakfast With Santa

Dec. 26 Offices Closed

Jan. 2 Offices Closed

Check website for updates



LEAF PICKUP

The City of Canal Winchester Street Department has scheduled its 2011 leaf pickup dates. Pickup will begin **October 3rd.** and continue through **December 9th.** This is a free service to city residents. It is important that residents avoid covering the storm drains along streets with leaves to allow for proper drainage.

Only leaves raked between the curb and sidewalk will be removed. Sticks, grass trimmings and other yard waste will not be collected due to the damage caused by these items to city equipment. Regular yard waste will continue to be picked up by Waste Management during scheduled trash collection times.



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Christmas in the Village

Canal Winchester is inviting family and friends to come to the annual "Christmas in the Village" event to kick start the holiday season!

The celebration will begin Friday, December 2 at 6:00 p.m. with a parade. Afterward, Santa will hold the tree lighting ceremony at 6:30 p.m. behind Stradley Place. Festivities will continue from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. On Saturday the parade will begin at 4:15 p.m., followed by the activities from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Activities include: (subject to change without notice)

- Visit with Santa inside Huntington Bank
- Children's games inside Chase Bank
- Electric trains and a craft bazaar inside the Community Center
- Ice sculptures and a popcorn station at Stradley Place
- Horse Drawn Carriage rides in front of Huntington Bank
- Antique Tractor Hayrides in front of municipal building
- Children's crafts inside Town Hall
- Tree lighting at the grassy knoll behind Stradley Place with local choirs
- Children's train rides across from Town Hall

Christmas in the Village information can be found on the city's website at canalwinchesterohio.gov

Enjoy Breakfast With Santa

On December 10, the city will host its annual breakfast with Santa at the Frances Steube Community Center located at 22 S. Trine St.

This year two breakfast sessions will be held. The first will be from 8:30 am to 10:00 am and the second session will go from 10:30 am to noon.

Tickets will go on sale November 3 (75 tickets per session only) and will be available at the city's municipal building and community center between 8am and 4:30 pm. Monday through Friday. For those who can't make it to city offices during normal business hours, Village Wines will have tickets available Tuesday-Thursday 11am to 9pm and Friday-Saturday 11am – 10pm.

Tickets cost \$5 per person and include a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs and a drink as well as a gift bag and visit with Santa for children. Children under 1 year are free. Please bring a camera for photos with Santa.

Breakfast with Santa information can be found on the city's website at canalwinchesterohio.gov

Household Items Can Damage the Sanitary Sewer System

You’ve likely heard the saying “don’t throw money down the drain,” and according to the City’s Water Reclamation Department, money isn’t the only thing you shouldn’t throw down the drain. Some common items you may dispose of through your sanitary sewer can actually cause damage to your city’s system.

One such item that causes harm is grease. It is important to keep this cooking product out of the sanitary sewer system because grease that accumulates in the sewers can cause blockages that can back up sewage and flood basements. Rather than washing grease down the drain, residents should pour it into an appropriate container and dispose of it through recycling or normal garbage disposal.

Coffee grounds and eggshells are two other substances that can cause damage, and therefore, they should not be put in the sanitary sewer. Additionally, other non-biodegradable items such as plastics and disposable diapers should be disposed of in the trash rather than flushed, as they can clog pumps and sewers which ultimately could cause problems to the resident, the system and the treatment plant.

Snowbird Alert

As winter approaches, many residents are planning on extended vacations to warmer climes. An important, but often overlooked task prior to leaving is to have your water service disconnected for the duration of your stay. Following this advice will prevent costly water bills due to burst pipes, stuck toilets and leaking faucets.

There is no cost for preventative shutoff as this is an issue of safety for residents and is done as a courtesy. Upon request, water service is shut off at an outside curb box before any water enters your home. This can help you avoid disasters such as flooding, bursting pipes, and mold development.

Simply call the Utility Billing Clerk at (614) 837-7716, 48-hours prior to your scheduled departure for this service and enjoy peace-of-mind while basking in the warmth and sunshine of your winter home.

City Phone Numbers

Main Number	614-837-7493
Accounting Clerk	614-834-5106
Building Dept. Administrative Assistant	614-837-7501
Building Official	614-834-5102
Clerk of Court	614-837-7691
Development Director	614-837-1894
Finance Director	614-837-6937
Mayor Michael Ebert	614-837-7493
Receptionist	614-837-7493
Utility Clerk	614-837-7716
Zoning Administrator	614-834-5101
Community Center	614-837-8276
Construction Services	614-834-5100, ext. 101
Director of Public Services.....	614-834-5100, ext. 109
Division of Streets	614-834-5100, ext. 105
Division of Urban Forestry	614-834-5100, ext. 110
Division of Water Reclamation	614-834-5100, ext. 103
Division of Water Treatment	614-837-5623
Sheriff Substation	614-837-7493



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Its Almost Time .. Snow Removal, Plowing and Salting

Snow Removal

The City of Canal Winchester makes every effort to keep our streets clear and passable before, during and after a snow event by utilizing brine solutions application, salting and plowing. Our policy is to clear streets curb-to-curb to provide easier access for emergency vehicles, while providing the high-quality snow removal service our residents have come to expect. As residents, you too can help your fellow neighbor by doing your part such as:

- Not placing snow cleared from parking lots and driveways onto streets, sidewalks or bike paths.
- Piling shoveled snow to the right of the driveway (as you face the street)
- Keeping children away from the snow plows
- Not building igloos, caves or other snow structures close to the street
- Keeping parked cars off the street until plowing
- Cleaning around mailboxes
- Clearing public sidewalks as soon as possible (as required of residents and business owners by Ohio Revised Code 723.011)

Please do not crowd the plow trucks when driving.

Plowing

The city streets will be plowed in the following order: arterial streets (including Columbus, Gender, High and Waterloo), other collector streets and major streets within subdivisions, secondary streets within subdivisions, cud-de-sacs and then alleys. Streets will continue to be plowed until excess snow is removed from parking and driving lanes, freeing storm sewer catch basins so flooding and freezing do not occur. This will also open the area to mailboxes and parking.

Salting

Streets will be salted in the same order as plowing. Re-salting will be done as needed.

Did You Know

The City has over 150 acres of parkland.
There are more than 1,300,000 square feet of industrial buildings located within Canal Winchester.
Canal Winchester has issued permits for 36 new single family homes so far this year.
The official name of the creek draining the Canal Winchester watershed area is Walnut Creek. The stream is the aquatic home to over 60 species of fish.